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**SUBJECT: Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP), Revised Elderly
Income Guidelines for 2005**

This memorandum transmits the adjusted income guidelines to be used by State agencies in determining the eligibility of elderly persons applying to participate in CSFP. These guidelines are to be used in conjunction with 7 CFR 247.7(a)(3), which limits eligibility in CSFP to elderly persons with income at or below 130 percent of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines published annually by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The Federal Poverty Income Guidelines are revised annually to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index. The revision for 2005 was published by HHS in the Federal Register on February 18, 2005, at 70 FR 8373. To establish income limits of 130 percent, the guidelines were multiplied by 1.30 and the results rounded up to the next whole dollar.

The following tables contain the income limits by household size to be used for elderly certification in CSFP. As indicated below, the first table contains the income limits for households residing in the 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia. Separate income limits for Alaska and Hawaii are established and published annually by HHS. The second table contains the income limits for households residing in Alaska. These income guidelines may be implemented immediately upon receipt of this memorandum, and will remain in effect until notification of revised guidelines in 2006. State agencies should direct any questions they may have regarding the income eligibility guidelines to their FNS Regional Offices.

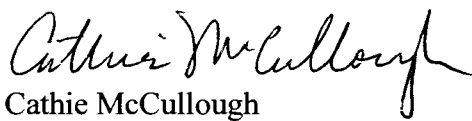
48 Contiguous States and the District of Columbia

Family Size	Annual	Month	Week
1.....	\$12,441	1,037	240
2.....	16,679	1,390	321
3.....	20,917	1,744	403
4.....	25,155	2,097	484
5.....	29,393	2,450	566
6.....	33,631	2,803	647
7.....	37,869	3,156	729
8.....	42,107	3,509	810
For each additional family member, add.....	4,238	354	82

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Alaska

Family Size	Annual	Month	Week
1.....	\$15,535	1,295	299
2.....	20,839	1,737	401
3.....	26,143	2,179	503
4.....	31,447	2,621	605
5.....	36,751	3,063	707
6.....	42,055	3,505	809
7.....	47,359	3,947	911
8.....	52,663	4,389	1,013
For each additional family member, add.....	5,304	442	102



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